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SANDLAKE – GALLOWAY ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

This week was both good and bad for weather. If anyone drove Sandlake Monday and Tuesday you would have taken home a little bit of our project - on your car (mud). Although wet and muddy the contractor made the best of it and kept on building road. We know that not everyone was tolerant of the situation, but under the circumstances the contractor made a good effort to get cars through the worst of it. This just might be one of those wet coastal summers, which happen on occasion, if that's the case rain and dirt = mud.

We also ran into a problem with PUD and Sprint conduits when we cut down the old road this week. It would seem that from seeing the conduits exposed that their contactor failed to bury them deep enough. So the PUD had to drop what they where doing and start their work of moving the conduits. I have to give the PUD staff credit they responded had plan of action in place very quickly. You will likely see them out on Sandlake Road this Friday even though the contractor will not be working. So watch out for PUD flaggers Friday.

Next week the contractor will continue their work in the area of Mile Post 3.1 to Mile Post 3.5 on the west side of the summit and possibly Cat Scrapers working the area from Mile Post 0.3 to Mile Post 0.7. The traffic in the Scraper work area will likely be flaggers only stopping traffic to allow the equipment to cross the road. This will be a "first a lets try and see if it works" trial, evaluating the safety to both traffic and equipment.

The contract is such traffic should not be restricted for more than 30 minutes. I should note that under unusual circumstances there have been longer delays, but these are not typical.

The 4^{th} of July is Monday so there is no work that day. And this office hopes everyone has a safe holiday, just remember to buckle up and don't get in a hurry when on the road, enjoy the trip.

For next Week on Sandlake Road Expect traffic delays Tuesday thru Friday From DAWN TO DUSK

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